

nearly all were present at the Lord's table, some were kept away because of sickness, but all felt the presence of the Lord. Pray for us that we may never cease to labor till the last bundle of tares have been gathered to burn and the last sheaf of wheat gathered into Jehovah's barn.

ARTHUR T. WIRICK.

Program Union Meeting.

Our next union meeting will be held at North Liberty, Ind., Sept. 11 and 12. We cordially invite everybody to meet there with us. Our last union meeting held at Teagarden was a good one, but we hope our next one will be still better. We especially desire that all those that are expected to take an active part at the meeting, to be present, as we think it almost lies within their power to make the meeting a great success. In union their is strength. Let us all unite and become stronger and stronger. Work, for the night is coming, when man's work is done.

FIRST SESSION, SEPT. 11.

Devotional exercises at 10:00 A. M., Mrs. Amanda Crater.

Eternal Life. What is it? How obtain it? I. N. Miller.

Christ, the Perfect Model, E. Smith.

Music in Our Churches, Mrs. Charles Wooster.

Value of Reading and Studying Church Literature, William Whitmer.

Our Greatest Needs, E. Stoneburner.

SECOND SESSION.

General prayer and praise service at 1:30 P. M., Miss Emma Rhinehart.

Successful Ministry, W. D. Furry.

How can the Laity Help the Pastor? L. A. Hazlett.

Spiritual Power. Whence it comes and How to Get it, Jacob Rothenberger.

How can we Preach Christ Without Preaching in the Pulpit, Miss Grace Hostetler.

What is the Most Successful Method of Saving Souls? Orville Witter.

United Efforts, Marcus Witter.

Reports. Luncheon.

Sermon.

Communion.

EMMA HOUSER, Secretary.

Grove Meeting.

On the last Sunday of September our services at Mifflord, Ind., will be held in the grove near town. Let all who can come and help make this a big day for the Brethren cause.

G. W. RENCH.

There is no joy like that of seeing a transformed soul, a transformed home, a transformed community.

Matrimonial.

KEEFER—JENNINGS. — Thursday evening, August 5th, we married Edward Keefer and Emma Jennings. Both are members of the Roanoke church. The entire class, with the pastor, wish them happiness and long life in this world, and eternal life in the world to come.

J. H. Palmer, Pastor.

Our Dead.

BRENNEMEN.—Florence Brennemen was born August 2nd, 1879. Died July 14th, 1897, aged 17 years, 11 months, 12 days. Feb. 23, she was baptized and was received into full fellowship in the Roanoke Brethren church. Shortly after she partook of the Lord's supper and sacred communion. She felt greatly strengthened spiritually, but the dreaded consumption would not loosen its death grip. She suffered so much, but oh, so patiently! She was always cheerful and happy. July 14, we went to visit her. We found her very low, yet with a smile she greeted us. When I asked her how she felt, she answered, "I am only waiting for Jesus to come and take me home." She also said, "Bro. Palmer pray that the Lord may come soon." We at once called to our Lord and Master and asked that her request be complied with. At the close of the prayer she turned her eyes heavenward and said, "Jesus answer that prayer," and almost immediately her lips put on the pallor of death, her eyes put on the glassy look, her spirit swept through the gates into the New Jerusalem. Some twelve or fourteen stood weeping around her bed. She was good, kind and cheerful. Our loss will be her eternal gain. Funeral was preached in Roanoke by her pastor, J. H. Palmer, from Rev. 14:13.

Items of Interest.

—The people of the United States have over \$350,000,000 invested in church property.

—Mrs. Grant was the first woman to object to wine in the White House.

—Miss Tatiana Tolstoi, daughter of the great novelist, will attend the world W. C. T. U. at Toronto in October next.

—The inhabitants of the United States consume more than half the quinine produced in the world.

—It is estimated that the death rate of the world is sixty-seven a minute, and the birth rate seventy a minute.

—One inch of rain falling upon one square mile is equivalent to about 17,500,000 gallons of water.

—Mrs. Diaz, the wife of the Mexican president, is a woman of progressive ideas. She has founded a home where girls can find employment, a

nursery where working women's children can be cared for, and a Magdalene home for repentant sinners.—*Religious Telescope*.

Literary Notes.

The society life of our senators and representatives in the national capital with many interesting facts concerning the residents of Washington, William Eleroy Curtis describes in "Life in Washington," written for the August *Chautauquan*. This number of the magazine also contains a profusely illustrated paper on "Belgium: Its History, Art, and Social Life," by William Elliot Griffis, together with a variety of excellent papers calculated to interest all readers of good literature.

The Tenth Annual Educational Number of *The Outlook* puts side by side personal sketches of two great educators, with unusually fine portraits of the two men. One of the two is an American—the great scientist, Joseph Le Conte, who has been the ablest American advocate of the theory of evolution as being in unison with the doctrine of Christianity. The other is the famous and eccentric English scholar and Oxford professor, Benjamin Jowett, and the sketch is based on the recent biography which has attracted such wide attention. There are half-a-dozen or more other articles relating to timely educational topics; a refined love story by Margaret Sutton Brisco; an immensely interesting installment of Mr. Justin McCarthy's "Story of Gladstone's Life," touching upon the Alabama Question and the Irish University contest; the second part of Helen M. North's valuable and beautiful illustrated "How to See an English Cathedral"; a readable paper on "Pilgrim's Progress," by the pastor of the church at Bunyan's town, Bedford—the Rev. John Brown, D. D., and much else of interest. The cover has a strongly drawn reproduction of the statue of the "Lemnian Athena," now known to be a copy of Pheidias's great work, the parts of which were brought together in a strange way. [\$3 a year The Outlook Company, 13 Astor Place, New York]

The Preacher's Magazine, for the month of August, is replete with sound and sensible sermon matter. Distinguished contributors present able sermons "Paul's Secret," by Rev. F. B. Meyer, and "The Creed of the Mount," by David James Burrell, D. D., are both striking and pungent productions. Their photos enrich the Magazine, which feature is attractive. Rev. Mark Guy Pearse discourses with his notable ability upon "Nobody—Somebody—Everybody." The Homiletics of this issue is pressed down and running over with wise and good outlines, "The Church Not Going Down," by John Hall, D. D.; "The Kingdom of God—Its Privileges," by Geo. F. Pentecost, D. D.; "Peerlessness of Christianity," by David G. Wylie, D. D.; "Hope of the Next Century," by Timothy Dwight, D. D., President of Yale College; "How to Overcome Discouragement," by Rev. John D. Gilmore, and many others, all pointed and crisp, are attractive. "What the Village Church Said," a Children's Sermon, maintains the excellency of this series by Rev. F. G. Montague Powell. Choice Notes and Illustrations, and Notes on the International S. S. Lessons, by William E. Ketchman, D. D., are also richly prized. Other valuable matter constitutes this number as one of its best. Clergymen greet its coming with pleasure. The subscription price is \$1.50 per year, and liberal premium offers are made to subscribers. A sample copy will be sent for 15 cents. Wilbur B. Betcham, 2 Cooper Union, New York.